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Oral Medicine and Pathology Group (OMPG)

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the fourth edition of our newsletter!

Dr. Raj Nair our past president created the last three newsletters, Facebook page, Twitter @OralMedPathIADR and IADR-OMPG website. We thank him for his valuable contribution to our group activities. All the social media platforms are now handled by Dr. Hope Amm. Please make use of them to showcase your research and connect. We need your support to maintain these social media platforms and website. Please send your research stories, significant research grants, publications and awards relevant and worth sharing with our member community.

Professor John S. Greenspan BDS, PHD, FRCPath, FKC 1938-2023

It is with great sadness that we announce to our community the passing of Professor John S. Greenspan on March 31, 2023. Professor Greenspan was a remarkable person whose formidable presence will be dearly missed by our Scientific Group and by so many in Dentistry around the globe. He was a distinguished Professor of Oral Pathology in the Department of Orofacial Sciences at the University of California, San Francisco, and also served as chair. He was also a Professor of Pathology in the School of Medicine at UCSF. He jointly with his wife Deborah became well known for the identification of the condition “oral hairy leukoplakia” as an Epstein–Barr virus (EBV) infection in HIV and AIDS. John has been a great mentor to many of us in Oral Medicine & Pathology. Prof Greenspan served as president of our Scientific Group,

president of both the American Association of Dental Research and the International Association of Dental Research (IADR). We extend our sincere condolences to Deborah and his family,

AADCOR-2023

AADCOR-2023-the first totally in person meeting after COVID was held in March 2023 at the Convention Center in Portland Oregon. Following members of the council and OM & P scientific Group members contributed to the organization of Oral Medicine & Pathology sessions at this meeting; Group Program Chair: Andrew Fribley, Reviewers: Hope Amm, Faizan Alawi and Diana Messadi and Proposal coordinator: Kamran Awan

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM - OMPG at AADCOR-2023

The scientific program related to the OM & P Group included the following sessions:

Symposium - Wednesday 3/15/2023 9:45 AM - 11:15 AM

Title: Pemphigus and Pemphigoid: Pathology, Diagnosis and Clinical Management

The scientific theme at this symposium included **a Multidisciplinary approach to PV and MMP Diagnosis and Management**. Two members of the OM & P Scientific Group, Dr Fribley and Dr Messadi made presentation together with 2 speakers from the International Pemphigus and Pemphigoid Foundation (IPPF) who spoke on the science, research, and dermatology aspects of pemphigus and pemphigoid.

Interactive talk sessions

Several interactive sessions related to OM & P were held during the conference.

1. Molecular Mechanisms of Oral Carcinogenesis and Metastasis I
Thursday 3/16/2023 11:00 AM 12:30 PM
2. Molecular Mechanisms of Oral Carcinogenesis and Metastasis II
Thursday 3/16/2023 2:00 PM 3:30 PM

3. Molecular Mechanisms of Oral Carcinogenesis and Metastasis III
Friday 3/17/2023 8:00 AM 9:30 AM
4. New Trends in Clinical Management and Treatment-associated Complications Friday 3/17/2023 2:00 PM 3:30 PM

ORAL MEDICINE AND PATHOLOGY RESEARCH GROUP BUSINESS MEETING HELD DURING AADCOR-2023

Our AGM meeting was held on Thursday March 16th at 5:00 PM followed by a joint reception with the Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Group and the Women in Science Network group. The topics discussed at the AGM are appended below.

Saman Warnakulasuriya
President-OMPG

Diana Messadi
Secretary-Treasurer-OMPG
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Oral Medicine and Pathology Research Group Business Meeting

Thursday 03/16/2023

5:00 PM to 6:00 PM Pacific Daylight Time,

Convention Center Portland, Oregon

ORAL MEDICINE & PATHOLOGY GROUP – AADCOR

Agenda for Business Meeting March 16th 2023

- I. Welcome by OMPG President – Diana Messadi on behalf of Dr. Saman Warnakulasuriya

- II. Secretary – Treasurer Report – Diana Messadi
 - A. Review of 2022 IADR minutes from Business virtual meeting June 16th 2022
 - B. Treasurers report, OMPG 2023 Financial Report.
OMPG account information supplied by central IADR.

- III. AADCOR Councilor Report-Faizan Alawi

- IV. Program Chairman's Report – Diana Messadi on behalf of Andrew Fribley
 - A. Symposia: Multidisciplinary approach to PV and MMP Diagnosis and Management-IPPF, Fribley and Messadi
 - B. Sessions
 - C. OMPG support for group symposia – discussion/mechanism

 - D. Volunteers: 2024 AADOCR/IADR Annual Meeting General Session
March 13-16th, New Orleans, LA, USA

- V. Current Officers

- VI. Social Media Update-Hope Amm

- VII. Old Business
New Investigator Travel Award-

- VIII. New Business
 - A. Future Symposia Topics and organizers:
 - B. Lunch & Learning speakers
 - C. Joint Group reception (OMFS and Women in Science)

- IX. Nominations and Elections for 2024-2025

- X. Other Business

- XI. Adjournment

Oral Medicine & Pathology Scientific Group – Council 2022-2023

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See you all at our next meeting

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2023 IADR/LAR General Session & Exhibition with WCPD

JUNE 21-24, 2023 BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA

101st General Session & Exhibition of the IADR

9th Meeting of the Latin American Region

12th World Congress on Preventive Dentistry